

FORM B - BUILDING

Assessor's number
78/205

USGS Quad
Boston N.

Area(s)

Form Number
1061,1062



Town Lexington

Place (neighborhood or village) The Manor

Address 46 Harding Road

Historic Name John and Hilda Andresen House

Uses: Present Residential

Original Residential

Date of Construction 1925

Source Lexington Valuation Lists

Style/Form Four Square

Architect/Builder unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation brick

Wall/Trim wood clapboard

Roof asphalt shingle

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

historic garage built in 1931 (MHC #1062)

Major Alterations (with dates) none

Condition good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date

Acreage 6,878 SF

Setting mixed 20th century residential neighborhood
(known as "The Manor"), located off Bedford Street



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Organization Lexington Historical Commission

Date (month/year) June 2000

BUILDING FORM (46 Harding Rd.)

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of the building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The house at 46 Harding Road (MHC #1061) is a good and well-preserved example of the Four Square style, a style which appears to have found limited popularity in Lexington in the early 20th century. Characteristic of the style, the clapboarded dwelling is capped by an asphalt-shingled hip roof with overhanging eaves; hip-roofed dormers are centered on each of the elevations. The house rests on a brick foundation with a brick exterior chimney on the south side breaking through the overhanging eaves. The wide facade is fronted by a single-story porch supported by Roman Doric columns with single stick balusters. Sheltered by the porch is a sidehall entrance and two 6/1 windows; the upper story of the facade is punctuated by two 6/1 windows.

A paved driveway extends to the north of the house, terminating at a stuccoed, hip-roofed garage (MHC #1062) constructed in 1931. The sliding doors consist of 5 x 2-lights set above recessed panels which are filled with vertical boards.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Describe the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

This house was constructed for John and Hilda Andresen in 1925 and was one of the earliest houses erected on Harding Street. The lot comprises Block 1, #15 & 16 of the L.B.T. or Manor subdivision. Valuation records indicate that the house was assessed at \$7,000 upon its completion; records indicate that the garage was constructed in 1931. John Andresen, a painter lived in the house only a few years before his death but Hilda Andresen continued to live here as late as 1960. Her son, Ralph, also a painter, still owns the house today.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Lexington Assessors Records.
Lexington Directories, various dates.
Lexington Valuation Lists, various dates.

Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attached a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*